IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane provided with <u>a</u> noise-reducing <u>unit</u>

<u>configured to reduce a means for reducing the</u> noise level that is produced during a flight, in

particular during <u>a</u> the landing stage of the aeroplane, due to the presence of the landing gear

of the aeroplane, said sound reducing means comprising deflection means for deflecting an

air flow away from the landing gear or at least from components thereof, characterized in that

the deflection means comprise blowing means comprising:

a blowing unit element having a blowing element including at least one blowing nozzle for creating an air screen at the a front side of a portion of or all of the landing gear, said air screen configured to deflect air flow away from said portion of said landing gear to reduce said noise level or at least of components thereof, from said at least one blowing nozzle.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane according to claim 1, wherein characterized in that said at least one blowing nozzle is elongated in shape.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane according to claim 2, wherein characterized in that said at least one blowing nozzle is horizontally oriented, facing in a downward direction.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane according to claim 1 or 2, wherein eharacterized in that said at least one blowing nozzle is vertically oriented, facing in a lateral direction.

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Claim 5 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane according to claim 4, wherein characterized in that the blowing element comprises two blowing nozzles being vertically oriented in mirror symmetry.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane according to one of claims 1, 2, or 3, wherein any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the blowing element can be moved into a wheel bay of the aeroplane together with the landing gear.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane according to claim 3, wherein characterized in that the blowing nozzle is attached to an the underside of a the fuselage of the aeroplane.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane according to claim 3, wherein eharacterized in that the blowing nozzle is mounted in a the wall of a the fuselage at a the bottom side of the aeroplane.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane according to one of claims 1, 2, or 3, wherein any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that said blowing unit is configured to screen means are arranged for screening the landing gear in its entirety.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane according to one of claims 1, 2, or 3, wherein any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the blowing unit further comprises means comprise a compressor that is connected to the blowing element.

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Claim 11 (Currently Amended): An aeroplane according to one of claims 1, 2, or 3, any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the blowing further comprising:

<u>a</u> means comprise deflection <u>element configured to deflect</u> means for deflecting air in <u>a</u> the path of the landing gear.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A <u>blowing unit configured to cooperate with an</u>

<u>aeroplane</u> landing gear <u>to reduce noise caused by the landing gear</u> for use with an aeroplane

<u>according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized by, said blowing unit comprising:</u>

blowing means comprising a blowing element including having at least one blowing nozzle configured to create for creating an air screen at a the front side of a portion of the landing gear, said air screen configured to deflect air flow away from said portion of said landing gear to reduce said noise from said at least one blowing nozzle.

Claim 13 (Canceled).

Claim 14 (New): A noise-reducing unit configured to reduce noise created by an aeroplane landing gear, said noise-reducing unit comprising:

a deflection element configured to create an air screen at a front side of a portion of the landing gear, said air screen configured to deflect air flow away from said portion of said landing gear to reduce said noise.